

Public Health Committee, CGA

My name is Arthur Tiede
I reside in Southington.

I'm writing today to OPPOSE
SB477
HB5397

I'm putting both bills together as they are similar in their attempt to:

- 1 Create an unnecessary and expensive bureaucracy
- 2 Divert necessary funds away from law enforcement

The continued use of the term "gun violence" is confusing to any thinking person as a gun, being an inanimate object has no will and therefore is incapable of being violent or harmless. It is also telling that there is never a concern for knife violence, blunt object violence or feet and fist violence. Incredible also there is no mention of suicide, it being 2/3rds. of death by firearm.

I am also unsure as to why the state, with an already bloated bureaucracy, would consider adding another commission with a provision to allow an un limited amount of lobbying money.

Thank you for voting no, Arthur Tiede